

CITIZENS' UNION DENOUNCED FOR ITS "DRY" STAND

Central Association Quits
Federation—West End
Body to Consider Action.

WAR ON ORGANIZATION

Liquor Defenders Angered by
Vote of Federation for
District Prohibition.

W. H. RICHARDSON ATTACKED

Federation Has Strayed From Original
Aim and Lost Usefulness,
Stateirate Citizens.

The opening guns in the fight of
defenders of the liquor traffic against
the Federation of Citizens' Associations
for its recent action in voting by an
overwhelming majority for local
prohibition were fired last night.

The Central Citizens' Association
voted to sever its connection with the
federation, and the West End Citizens'
Association, at a meeting at the Pow-
hatan Hotel, decided to vote at its
next meeting on a resolution calling
for similar action. Both of these as-
sociations are overwhelmingly op-
posed to District prohibition.

The Central Citizens' Association
took action following the peremptory
resignation of Leo A. Rover, delegate
to the federation, who declared he did
not care to rub shoulders with men of
the caliber of some of the delegates.

On the statement of Mr. Rover and
James W. Wood, minority leader of
the federation and delegate from the
West End Citizens' Association, who
in addresses read the minority report,
that W. H. Richardson, representing
only an alleged association, was ille-
gally given a seat, the motion to with-
draw was carried unanimously.

No Successor Appointed.

President M. J. McNamara, after ac-
cepting the resignation of Mr. Rover,
refused to consider the appointment of
a successor, on the grounds that he did
not think it right to ask another member
of the association to sit where a former
delegate had refused to sit.

The minority report read by Mr. Moore
states that Mr. Richardson, after holding
a seat in the federation of three years
as an alleged representative of the Ben-
ning's Citizens Association, when
challenged to show his credentials, as
no such association was known to exist,
declined to be a delegate of a Benning-
Knellworth Association, and was given
a seat by the credentials committee.

Federation Denounced.

Condemning the manner in which the
meetings of the federation are conducted
and charging that that body has become
an adjunct of the Anti-Saloon League,
members of the West End Citizens' As-
sociation agreed to vote at the next
meeting upon a resolution to sever their
affiliation with that body.

In its original form, as introduced
by Edward M. Dulin, the resolution called
for immediate withdrawal from the fed-
eration, and while there was an over-
whelming sentiment among the half a
hundred members present in favor of
that action, several speakers urged that
no hasty action be taken.

Several speakers declared that the as-
sociation could gain nothing by its af-
filiation with the federation. "The fed-
eration is dominated by the Anti-Saloon
League," one member said, "and those
who are not in with the coterie of men
working for prohibition are cut off when
they rise to speak and are voted down
when an appeal is made for the rulers
of the chair."

"The associations representing the busi-
ness men of Washington have gone on
record as opposed to prohibition," he
continued, "and there is no sense in be-
longing to a body which is dominated by
the smaller associations on the outskirts
of Washington. They already virtually
have prohibition in those places and yet
they are trying to force prohibition upon
other sections."

Shot Far Wide of Mark.

"An example of the way in which the
affairs of the federation are conducted is
the admission of membership in that body
of the Washington Civic Association and
the Benning Citizens' Association, both of
which are small bodies. The vote of the
delegate from either of these associations
counts as much as the vote of the dele-
gate of the West End Citizens' Asso-
ciation, which is ten times as large as either
of them and is composed of business men
of the city."

A resolution urging the Commissioners
to adopt a regulation making it compul-
sory for persons offering spigots and
other plumbing fixtures for sale to file
an affidavit at the time of sale as to
how the articles came into their posses-
sion was adopted. This regulation is
proposed in order to lessen the number
of thefts of plumbing fixtures from vac-
ant houses.

Twelve new members were admitted:
James McIlhenny, Ira Artman, W. T.
Keenan, Dan E. O'Connell, L. Winston
Payne, Charles T. Chick, Albert W. Tier-
ney, C. N. Fredericks, D. L. Nunnally,
A. Richards and John Tausman.

Grave Diggers Strike, Get Increase, Return

New York, Jan. 24.—Three
hundred grave diggers went on
a strike at Calvary Cemetery,
Queensborough, today.

They were out six hours.

Fifty bodies arrive at the cem-
etery every day, and for a time
the situation looked serious.

The men agreed to return to
work after their wages had been
increased from \$1.90 to \$2.25 a
day.

LABOR HITS SCHOOL PLAN

Central Union Opposes Com-
missioners' Plan for Abolition
of Educational Board.

ACTION TAKEN AFTER FULL HEARING OF BOTH SIDES

Henry P. Blair, Head of School
Board, Gives Arguments Against
D. C. Heads' Proposal.

The Central Labor Union, representing
more than 30,000 workers of the District,
last night voted to oppose the plan to
transfer authority over the schools from
the board of education to the District
Commissioners.

The union acted after Henry P. Blair,
president of the board of education, and
James F. Oyster, former president of the
board, had argued at length against the
proposed change in the school system.
Last Monday night Conrad H. Syme,
corporation counsel, defended the Com-
missioners' side of the argument before
the union.

The reason given by the Commissioners
for desiring the change, that they are
now responsible for the money spent on
the school system but have no say in
how it shall be spent, was refuted by
Mr. Blair. The head of the board of
education pointed out that every cent
spent by the board of education is audited
as closely by the District auditor as is
any expenditure made by the Com-
missioners themselves.

"How much money have you handled
since you have been president of the
board of education?" a delegate asked
Mr. Blair.

"About \$12 in cash and between 500
and 1,000 postage stamps," replied the head
of the school system.

The reply surprised and amused the
delegates. Mr. Blair explained that the
\$12 had been sent in anonymously by per-
sons who had stolen books and other
small articles from school buildings.

Capital Girl Weds Greenwich Editor

Miss Ada Howard Leaves Pri-
vate Academy to Marry
William Held.

Greenwich, Conn., Jan. 24.—Announce-
ment was made here today of the secret
marriage of William Held, a local news-
paper editor, and Miss Ada D. Howard,
daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wil-
liam Howard, of Washington, D. C.

Miss Howard was a student in a pri-
vate academy at Ossining. The marriage
took place at the Baptist parsonage in
Portchester on Saturday night, the Rev.
Leo B. Thomas officiating.

Following the ceremony, a reception
was held at a New York City hotel. The
couple returned here today and broke the
news to the bridegroom's parents, Mr.
and Mrs. George Held. They received
the parental blessing.

It was stated here today by friends of
the couple that the bride will gain pos-
session of a legacy of thousands of dol-
lars when she becomes 21 years old, a
year hence. Her parents were killed
about twelve years ago in a New Haven
Railroad wreck.

The legacy includes a settlement from
the railroad and property in New York,
Philadelphia and Washington.

The bride only recently entered the
Ossining school, after having been a stu-
dent at the Jenkintown Academy, at Jen-
kintown, Pa. The elopers left this after-
noon by automobile for Washington.

Earthquake Shocks Recorded.

London, Jan. 24.—Earthquake shocks
were recorded at the West Bromwich Ob-
servatory today. The shocks were re-
corded, and were estimated to be about
2,000 miles away, presumably in the vic-
inity of the Black Sea or Asia Minor.

Steamer Sinks Trawler.

Dover, England, Jan. 24.—The French
trawler Saint Pol was sunk in collision
today with the British steamship Bram-
ham off Folkestone. The crew was saved.

Liner Pomeranian Disabled.

Queenstown, Jan. 24.—The Allan liner
Pomeranian, bound for Canada, has been
disabled southwest of Fastnet and is put-
ting back toward Queenstown for repairs.
The nature of the accident was not re-
ported.

Noted Antiquarian Ill.

Rome, Jan. 24.—Giacomo Boni, director
of excavations in the Roman Forum and
at the Palatine, one of the world's fore-
most antiquarians, is seriously ill.

HILLES BLAMES PRESIDENT FOR MEXICO CARNAGE

Republican Leader Declares
Wilson Has Sacrificed
National Prestige.

"A DISGRACEFUL PAGE"

Chairman of National Com-
mittee Believes G. O. P. Will
Win on Democrats' Record.

CALLS M'ADOO FLIM-FLAMMER

Republicans and Bull Moose Have
United in Every State Except
One, Is Report Made.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—An unsparing de-
nunciation of President Wilson, even to
an accusation of personal responsi-
bility for carnage in Mexico, marked
the Republican party's keynote
speech, uttered today before the Ham-
ilton Club by Charles D. Hilles, chair-
man of the national committee.

Mr. Hilles indicated categorically
the lines upon which the Presidential
campaign will be fought. He drew
his indictment in plain words and men-
tioned the President by name. He ac-
cused Mr. Wilson of having sacrificed
national prestige the world over to a
desire to be reelected on Huerta.

"To his blind pursuit of that hat-
red," said the speaker, "is to be
charged the loss of countless Ameri-
can lives."

Again he said: "In all the fair his-
tory of the United States there was
never written so disgraceful a page
as that which must contain the record
of Woodrow Wilson's conduct of our
relations with Mexico."

Secretary McAdoo was accused by
Mr. Hilles of employing the "odious
method of high finance to juggle the
Treasury statements," and of "insult-
ing" and "flim-flaming" the American
people.

Official weight as a G. O. P. pro-
nouncement was given to Chairman
Hilles' address from the fact that it
was prepared after responses had been
received to a questionnaire submitted
to 3,300 State and county commit-
teemen in the various States. All save
one State, he said, had reported re-
union with the Progressives.

Partisan Appointments.

That the Republicans could win on the
record of the Wilson administration was
the common opinion of the party leaders.
The luncheon at the Hamilton Club was
in honor of the subcommittee of the Na-
tional Committee, which is in Chicago to
confer with the local committee, headed
by Fred W. Upham, on the convention ar-
rangements. Secretary James B. Rey-
nolds also attended President Wilson. He
declared that the appointments to the
Federal Reserve Board, the Federal Trade
Commission and other bodies showed
"rank and low" partisanship on the Pres-
ident's part and declared that the ap-
pointment of a tariff commission by the
present administration would be a calam-
ity.

Treasurer George R. Sheldon caused
laughter when he explained the astonish-
ment of the treasurer of the English
conservative party when told that Ameri-
can treasurers are compelled to give a
public accounting.

"We knight the big contributors and
you indict them," was the Briton's com-
ment.

Charles B. Warren, of Michigan, said
the party had not "welcomed the Pro-
gressives back," but that the two ele-
ments had "shaken hands."

Chairman Not Selected.

All the national committeemen insisted
that no thought had been given in to-
day's session to the matter of temporary
officers for the convention. This im-
portant subject involving the selection of
a temporary chairman, whose political
affiliation may decide the fate of the
party in 1916, as it did in 1912, when
Ellihu Root was given the gavel, will
be taken up at a meeting of the subcom-
mittee in Chicago March 15.

Chairman Hilles said it was too early
to discuss the temporary chairmanship,
that it was "something to be considered
at a later session." Many political
changes may be rung before the selec-
tion becomes an absolute necessity, and
it is believed that the subcommittee will
hold off its recommendation until the
last moment. Senator Borah and Sena-
tor Lodge have been mentioned as a
possibility acceptable to the returned
Progressives and to those whose ratifica-
tion of the G. O. P. ticket in a separate
convention is sought.

Rush Cotton to Mexico.

Laredo, Tex., Jan. 24.—As a result of
a decree just issued by Gen. Venustiano
Carranza removing 90 per cent of the duty
on cotton goods imported into Mexico,
there is a great rush of cotton importa-
tions through this port. During this
morning 75,000 yards of cotton goods passed
through.

Postal Service Stopped.

Berlin, Jan. 24.—Postal service between
Germany and Greece has been discon-
tinued.

British Soon to Have World's Best Army, Lloyd George, Sure of Victory, Declares

Minister of Munitions, in Remarkable Interview, Says En-
tente Powers Are Firmly United and Bound to Win. Avers
a Victorious Germany Would Seek New Conquests.

By IVOR NICHOLSON.

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London, Jan. 24.—Few people will quar-
rel with the statement that the outstand-
ing figure of the war in Great Britain is
David Lloyd George, minister of munitions.
For a month past it has been the aim
and ambition of every newspaper man
on this side, either permanent or visit-
ing, to get Lloyd George to talk for pub-
lication. Up till today he had steady-
fastly refused, but, at my earnest solici-
tation and mainly, of course, because he
wanted to, Mr. Lloyd George consented
to answer some questions dealing with
the situation today after eighteen months
of war.

In choosing the International News
Service as the medium for making his
views known throughout the United
States and Canada the minister of munitions
appreciated the fact that he will
be speaking to millions of people all more
or less interested in the world war.

The first question was whether Eng-
land is really putting its whole weight
into the war. Minister Lloyd George re-
plied:

"England is preparing to put its whole
weight into the war and Germany will
feel it in a very short time. It is an ef-
fort such as England has never made be-
fore—a truly prodigious effort. In the
days before the war she had the greatest
fleet in the world, but now she has one
of the greatest armies; and in a very
short time it will be about the best-
equipped army in the world."

"But that is not all. A new Britain is
now being developed—a new industrial
Britain. Under the pressure of war we
are improving and quickening out indus-
tries."

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Germany Sends Note Designed To Settle Lusitania Dispute

Consideration of Public Opinion Here and in Germany Said
to Have Played Important Part in Drafting
Document Just Submitted.

Germany has submitted to the United
States through Ambassador von Bern-
storff another written proposal designed
to bring about a settlement of the con-
troversy over the sinking of the steam-
ship Lusitania.

It was stated on excellent authority
that Germany has agreed to eliminate
from the agreement any mention of the
warning issued by the German Embassy
the day the Lusitania sailed from New
York. Mention of this warning in the
last proposal was regarded as conveying
the idea that none of the 106-odd Ameri-
can lives would have been lost had the
warning been heeded.

It is understood also that Germany has
eliminated her proposed general reserva-
tion of admission of wrongdoing on the
part of the submarine commander, to
which the United States objected.

It was also stated authoritatively that

Austrians Occupy Scutari, As Serbian Troops Retreat

Drive on City Indicates Negotiations with Montenegro Have
Fallen Through—Austrians Claim Capture of Other
Towns—Montenegro Now Under Austria's Heel.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Jan. 24.—Scutari, the most im-
portant trading city in Albania, has been
occupied by Austro-Hungarian troops.
The Austrian official report tonight states
that several thousand Serbian troops,
who garrisoned the city, retreated with-
out offering resistance.

It is learned from Rome, however, that
the city fell only after a furious two
days' battle between Austrians and Mon-
tenegrins in the Taraboch Mountains.
Lack of artillery forced the Montene-
grins, who were led by Prince Mirko,
to give up.

The Austrians, in addition, report the
occupation of several important towns in
Montenegro. That country now is under
their heel.

Divorce Papers Cannot Be Introduced In Mohr Case

By SOPHIE TREADWELL.

Providence, Jan. 24.—There were twenty-
six different papers filed in the Mohr
divorce case during the year and a half
of domestic wrangling that finally ended
by Dr. Mohr's murder. These were
brought into court today, identified, de-
scribed, discussed, and then withdrawn.

Their temporary appearance left but
little weight as evidence, but threw great
light on the state of mind and soul of
Dr. Mohr and his wife during those
months.

Infidelity Not in This Record.

The State sought to introduce these
papers, holding that they had a great
effect upon Mrs. Mohr, "mentally, mor-
ally and physically," as well as to cor-
roborate the testimony of Halls when he
said that Mrs. Mohr had told him her
divorce case was about to come up in
court and the killing of her husband
"should be done at once."

The domestic difficulties of the Mohrs
became a matter of court record on Feb-
ruary 7, 1914, when Mrs. Mohr filed a
petition for separation, alleging cruelty.

On June 6, the doctor filed a cross-peti-
tion, praying for absolute divorce.

He alleged infidelity, but Attorney

John J. Fitzgerald prevented this allega-
tion going into the record in this case.

On July 6 Mrs. Mohr filed an amended
petition. By a clever ruse of Fitzgerald,
her allegations against the doctor in this
document were introduced, although Dr.
Mohr's allegations against her had just
been excluded. In this petition, Mrs.
Mohr charged her husband with drunken-
ness, unfaithfulness, and the habitual
use of opium, morphine, and chloral.

Marriage Date Not Decided.

It has been the contention of the State
that worry over this impending action
was one of the motives that led Mrs.
Mohr to seek the death of her husband.
The State said that she was in a
state of fear, dreading the publicity of
court action on the infidelity charges in-
volved.

"I do not propose to try in this case
the domestic difficulties of the Mohr fam-
ily," was Judge Stearns' final comment,
and he ruled that all the divorce papers
be excluded from the record.

A significant point that came out was
that Mrs. Mohr alleged she was married
on or about May 15, 1903, while the
date Dr. Mohr gave for the marriage
was not permitted to be read.

ATTACK DOVER THRICE BY AIR IN FEW HOURS

Anti-Aircraft Guns and Two
British Machines Chase
Teutons Away.

BOMBS DROPPED ON CITY

Berlin Asserts English Sta-
tion, Barracks and Docks
Damaged in Assaults.

FRENCH MACHINES ACTIVE

Paris Claims Forty Aeroplanes Throw
200 Projectiles at Bulgars'
Camp Near Saloniki.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Jan. 24.—A German hydro-
aeroplane passed over Dover at 4 o'clock
this afternoon, says an official announce-
ment made by the press bureau tonight.
The hostile machine was engaged by all
the British anti-aircraft guns at Dover
and was pursued by two British ma-
chines. This was the third attack within
the last forty-eight hours.

H. L. Tennant, under secretary of war,
announced that the English had lost
thirteen aeroplanes on the western front
in the last four weeks and the Germans
had lost nine or ten. In this period,
the British employed 138 machines and
crossed the German lines 1,235 times.
The Germans, during the same period,
have used approximately twenty aero-
planes in which they have crossed the
British line 310 times.

Confirm German Attack.

Berlin, Jan. 24.—(Wireless via Sayville).
—Two official statements regarding the
German aid raids on the English coast
were issued today by the German ad-
miralty.

The first one says: "A German naval
aeroplane, during the night of January
23-24, dropped bombs on the station, bar-
racks and docks of Dover."

The second statement says: "Two Ger-
man naval aeroplanes on January 23
dropped bombs on the aviators' sheds in
Hougham, west of Dover. Heavy fires
were clearly observed."

Announcing an air attack on Metz by
the French and other German aerial
operations, an official report says:

"An enemy squadron bombarded Metz,
where bombs fell on the bishop's dwell-
ing and on a house in the hospital court.
Two civilians were killed and eight
wounded. One aeroplane was shot down
and its occupants made prisoners. Ger-
man aviators have bombarded railroad
stations and military establishments be-
hind the enemy's front."

French Airmen Active.

Paris, Jan. 24.—The French war office
communicated today said:

"On Sunday night French airmen bom-
barded Anis, Leon, and Nogent
L'Abeisse."

"Today seven French aviators dropped
twenty bombs on Southulst and Middle-
kerke."

A dispatch from Saloniki says: "Forty
French aeroplanes yesterday attacked
Monastir and Guevghebi. More than 200
projectiles were dropped on the enemies'
camps, Bulgarian headquarters and other
military establishments of the Austro-
Bulgarian forces."

BELGIANS BOMBARDED NEAR MOUTH OF YSER

German Batteries Fire 20,000 Shells
in Attempt to Smash Defenses
and Sweep On.

Paris, Jan. 24.—An extremely violent
bombardment by the Germans of the
Belgian line at the mouth of the Yser
was reported tonight by the war office.
No less than 20,000 shells were expended
by the German batteries in an attempt
to smash the Belgian defenses.

Final reports of the action had not
reached the war office at the hour when
the midcommunique was issued. First
reports stated that the German infantry
attempted to debouch from their trenches,
but the attack was broken up by the fire
from the Franco-Belgian batteries.

This activity, coupled with reports of
an action farther south along the Yser
Canal, indicates preparations for a new
effort to press through, probably to
Calais. At Hetusa, some German de-
tachments tried to cross the canal, but
the Belgian and French infantry, backed
by the fire of the machine guns and ar-
tillery, repulsed the attackers.

FIND JOHN EDWARDS DEAD.

Certificate of Suicide Returned by
Coroner Nevitt.

John P. Edwards, 30, was found dead
in the kitchen of his apartment at 1815
Eighteenth street northwest, yesterday
by his wife.

The doors and windows of the room
were closed and gas was flowing from a
range. Coroner Nevitt returned a cer-
tificate of suicide.

Edwards was employed as a plate
printer at the Bureau of Engraving
and Printing. He had been out of em-
ployment for the last three weeks, it
is said.

MILITARY BILL PASSES THIRD HOUSE READING

Compulsory Service Measure Later
Sent to Lords Where It Has
Its Introduction.

London, Jan. 24.—The military compul-
sory service bill passed the house of
commons on its third reading tonight by
a vote of 383 to 36.

The bill was sent immediately to the
house of lords, where it had its first
reading tonight.

BRITISH WANT FINISH FIGHT

Will Defeat Germans if They
Must Do It
Alone.

"MADE IN GERMANY" PEACE WILL NOT BE COUNTENANCED

Berlin Papers Are Putting Out "Peace
Feelings" to See How Nations
Like Inspired Plans.

Out of the discussion in which diplo-
matic Washington has been engaged
since the news was published that
Germany considered making a sepa-
rate peace with Belgium, there de-
veloped yesterday one positive opin-
ion. This opinion is that no official
action by Germany will follow the in-
spired articles published in German
newspapers and that the publication
itself was in the nature of a "peace
feeler."

Reports that Germany is consider-
ing also making separate peace with
Japan and with Montenegro were
characterized in informed quarters as
"made-in-Germany" speculations.

British Embassy officials, however,
refused to discuss the matter in any
way. From an authoritative source,
however, it was learned that the atti-
tude of the British government is this:

First—That Great Britain will con-
tinue waging war on Germany, how-
ever long it may take to win the kind
of victory that will leave Germany
powerless for a hundred years to
resume her place in the world as a
first-class fighting power.

Will Fight to a Finish.